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REQUEST FOR

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

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Application Number	10/616,201
Filing Date	July 8, 2003 Z
First Named Inventor	Liu, Chi Fai
Group Art Unit	2816
Examiner Name	Almo, Khareem E.
Attorney Docket No.	039236-007000

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

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1.	S	Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114									
	a.	X		eviously submitted							
		i.		Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on <u>April 9, 2007.</u> (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).							
		ii.		Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on							
		iii.		Other ,	er ,						
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		i.		Amendment/Reply iv.		Submission of Formal Drawings	5				
		ii.		Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) v.		Petition for One-month Extension	on of Time				
		iii.		Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)		•	•				
2.	N	/liscel	liscellaneous								
	a. Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of										
	months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(I) required)										
	b. Other postage for First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia										
3.	F	Fees The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.									
	a.	The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 50-3557 (740169-43)									
		i. X RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) (\$790.00)									
	ii. Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17) (\$120.00)										
	iii. Other Excess Claims Fee										
	b. Check in the amount of \$ enclosed										
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